

Remarks

With the addition of claims 45-58, claims 20-58 are now pending in the above-identified application and are submitted for the Examiner's reconsideration.

Claims 20-26, 29-39, and 44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by United States Patent No. 6,006,161 to Katou ("Katou"). Claims 27, 28, and 40-43 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Katou in view of United States Patent No. 6,208,934 to Bechtolsheim et al. ("Bechtolsheim"). Based on the amendments to the claims, Applicants submit that these rejections have been obviated. Katou shows only that a computing unit, namely Central Processing Device 4, is connected to the data bus, which is connected to interface 47. No hint is given that one should utilize this data bus for the output of data of several computing units. Within CPD 4 there is also present a structure at least similar to a data bus, starting from CPU 40. To this, there are also connected image processor 45 and audio processor 46. Their data, however, are not put on the data bus, but are conducted further directly to display unit 12 and loudspeaker 16, without being first conducted via the data bus within CPD 4. Therefore, claims 20, 23, and 35, as amended, cannot be anticipated or made obvious by Katou. Since Bechtolsheim does not overcome the deficiencies of Katou, it too does not anticipate or render obvious the above-referenced claims.

Applicants have added new claims 45-58. Support for these claims is found at least at page 2, lines 3-5; page 5, lines 5-9, of the specification; and Figure 1. Since none of the references relied on by the Examiner teaches or suggests the invention recited in these claims, Applicants respectfully request the allowance of claims 45-58.

The present invention is new, non-obvious, and useful. Reconsideration and allowance of the presently pending claims are respectfully requested.

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